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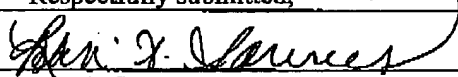
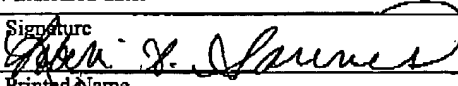
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Dear Sir:

Applicants are submitting concurrently herewith a Notice of Appeal. Applicants wish to bring the following to the Examiner's attention.

A Notice of Appeal in the above-referenced application was filed via facsimile on May 4, 2005 to facsimile number 703-305-0942. Upon review of the current U.S. Patent and Trademark facsimile numbers, Applicants' representative has noted that this Notice of Appeal should have been sent to the Central fax number of 703-872-9306.

To date, the Notice of Appeal that was filed on May 4, 2005 has not been recorded on PAIR. Applicants believe that the Notice of Appeal was transmitted to an office other than the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, and therefore are re-submitting prior to the due date of June 20, 2005 set forth in the Office Action dated April 20, 2005.

Should the Notice of Appeal that was filed May 4, 2005 be forwarded to the Examiner, Applicants respectfully request that the \$500 fee under 37 C.F.R. 41.20(b)(1) not be charged twice for this application.

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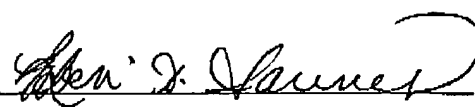
If the Examiner wishes to discuss this matter, the Examiner is welcome to contact the undersigned representative for the Applicants.

Respectfully submitted,

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